

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 24.2-945.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to campaign finance;*
3 *independent expenditure disclosure reports.*

4 [H 2740]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 24.2-945.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 24.2-945.2. Persons required to file independent expenditure disclosure reports; filing deadline.

9 A. Any person, candidate campaign committee, or political committee that makes independent
10 expenditures, in the aggregate during an election cycle, of \$1,000 or more for a statewide election or
11 \$500 or more for any other election shall maintain records and report pursuant to this chapter all such
12 independent expenditures including:

13 1. Any funds expended for the purpose of influencing the outcome of any election for public office;
14 and

15 2. Any funds expended to publish or broadcast to the public any material referring to a candidate by
16 name, description, or other reference and (i) advocating his election or defeat, (ii) setting forth his
17 position on any public issue, voting record, or other official acts, or (iii) otherwise designed to influence
18 individuals to cast their votes for or against him or to withhold their votes from him.

19 B. Independent expenditure reports shall be due (i) within 24 hours of the time when the funds were
20 expended or (ii) within 24 hours of the time when materials, as described in subsection A of this
21 section, are published or broadcast to the public, whichever (i) or (ii) first occurs. The reports shall be
22 filed with the State Board if the funds were expended to support or oppose a candidate for statewide
23 office or the General Assembly or with the local electoral board of the county or city in which the
24 candidate resides if the funds were expended to support or oppose a candidate for local office. *The*
25 *report filed by a political action committee or political party committee shall include the information*
26 *required for a statement of organization as listed in subdivisions A1 through A8 of § 24.2-949.2 or*
27 *clauses 1 through 6 of § 24.2-950.2, as appropriate, unless the committee has a current statement of*
28 *organization on file with the State Board.*

29 C. Independent expenditure reports required by this section may be filed electronically pursuant to
30 § 24.2-946.1 or in writing on a form developed by the State Board. If the report is filed in writing, the
31 report shall be (i) received by the State Board or the local electoral board, as appropriate, within 24
32 hours of the time when the funds were expended or (ii) transmitted to the State Board or the local
33 electoral board, as appropriate, by telephonic transmission to a facsimile device within 24 hours of the
34 time when the funds were expended with an original copy of the report mailed to the State Board or the
35 local electoral board, as appropriate, and postmarked within 24 hours of the time when the funds were
36 expended.

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